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Spring Skiing in the Canadian Rockies



This scene was taken around the Jasper Park area

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**NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF FINANCE**

Colonel E. C. Cowan, of Ottawa, has been promoted to brigadier and appointed director general of finance at Canadian Forces Headquarters, Ottawa.

He succeeds Brig. F. E. Anderson, of Ottawa, who retires this month.

Brig. Cowan was a bandsman in the Militia before the Second World War. He served as an officer with the Royal Canadian Artillery in 1939-40 before joining the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps.

He served in various appointments overseas during the war and landed in Normandy on D-Day, 1944, as deputy assistant director of ordnance services for the 2nd Canadian Armoured Brigade.

After the war he served in ordnance and staff appointments in Ottawa, Regina, Halifax and Kingston, Ont.

Brig. Cowan has held senior appointments at Canadian Forces Headquarters since July, 1962.

NEW OFFICER FOR AREA "I" STAFF

Regimental Sergeant-Major (WO 1) A. R. Poirier, of Huntsville, Ont., has been commissioned a lieutenant and posted to the Alberta area instructional staff in Edmonton.

The former Royal Canadian Army Service Corps warrant officer had been RSM of the Experimental Brigade Service Battalion based at Camp Gagetown, N. B., since January, 1964.

He served in Korea with the Canadian brigade in 1953-54.

WANT TO BE AN M.D.?

A new military medical training plan that draws on serving officers with operational experience has been introduced in the Canadian forces.

The plan provides for five years of subsidized university training and internship leading to the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Selection for annual quota of four will be made from volunteers among serving officers.

The aim is to produce specialists in military medicine with a background of operational experience — flight surgeons for the RCAF and RCN, field medical officers for the support of army operations, and submarine medical officers with specialized knowledge of submarine and diving activities.

The plan replaces a similar scheme for RCAF aircrew officers introduced in 1963.

Regular force officers of army captain or lieutenant rank, or equivalent, under 30 years of age and with at least two years' operational experience, are eligible for the plan. They must also have proof of acceptance into the medical faculty of a Canadian university.

Mobile Cammand News

Mobile Command, largest of the integrated functional commands of the Canadian forces, is beginning to take over command of combat units and the bases supporting them which had formerly come under various regional headquarters.

Camp Gagetown, largest training area in the Commonwealth, was placed under command on January 28th with Camp Valcartier taking a similar step on January 31st. The 1st Canadian Signal Regiment, Kingston, Ont., was the first unit to join Mobile Command and was placed under command on January 15th.

Headquarters for Mobile Command was opened at Jacques Cartier Barracks, Longueuil, near Montreal last October as part of the plan for redesigning the Canadian forces command structure on a functional basis.

The units of Mobile Command will be stationed in Canada and will be available at short notice for employment in a variety of roles from peace-keeping and peace-restoring activities anywhere in the world to aid to the civil power in Canada.

By working closely with Air Transport Command, Mobile Command combat units are air-transportable at short notice. They will continue to use the C-130 Hercules aircraft with medium-range Caribou and Buffalo short take-off and landing aircraft and Voyageur transport helicopters being formed into tactical air transport squadrons when they become available. Maritime Command will also contribute to the flexibility of the force with its sea-lift capability. This will be increased in the future with

the addition of two new operational support ships.

When the CF-5 becomes available squadrons will be formed as part of Mobile Command to provide close support for the ground forces.

One component of Mobile Command is divided into field units, formation headquarters and mobile bases. The other component is formed from the Mobile Command headquarters itself plus the various static bases of which Camps Gagetown and Valcartier are two. These bases provide personnel and administrative services and operational and logistic support to free the combat forces from the routine but vitally necessary back-up tasks.

Mobile Command is seeking the lowest possible ratio of staff to combat troops and now in use are the latest management procedures and techniques to permit streamlined command and control.

Commander of Mobile Command is Lt.-Gen. Jean Victor Allard, of Three Rivers, P.Q., an internationally known soldier, who has held many Canadian commands and also commanded the British 4th Division, Army of the Rhine. His deputy commander for operations is Maj.-Gen. Roger Rowley, of Ottawa, and deputy commander operational support is Air Vice Marshal Frederick S. Carpenter, of Toronto.

The planning of summer training activities for all Mobile Command units is a current priority task of the Longueuil headquarters with details to be announced at an early date. Dates for the take-over of other bases and units will also be released soon.

New CO. for 2 QOR of C



Major N. A. Robinson, of Calgary, will be promoted to lieutenant-colonel and appointed com-

manding officer of 2nd Battalion, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, early in March, 1966.

Since December he has been serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus as the senior staff officer at Canadian contingent headquarters. Before that he had been second-in-command of the 2 QOR of C at Calgary.

Born in England, Major Robinson served in the British Army from 1941 to 1952, first as an other rank and later rising to the rank of major serving in Africa, India and Greece. In 1952, he joined the Canadian Army as a Lieutenant.

Posted to 2 QOR of C in 1954, he served in Korea with his battalion and with headquarters, 1st and 2nd Battalions, QOR of C, attended the Canadian Army

Staff College and held staff appointments at Army Headquarters, Ottawa.

He succeeds Lt.-Col. S. F. Andrunyk, of Alvena, Sask., who is leaving for Tanzania in late February to be the senior training advisor with the Canadian Armed Forces advisory and training team.

CAMP COMMENTS

By Joyce Lay

There is one happy girl in our midst, Miss Millen by name. Her father has come back from Cyprus after a six months' tour.

One of our Ptes., Westly by name, is looking into the future, taking an art course at the Vic.

Of course our Records section is up to snuff, as usual, and the R&D Section is a beehive of activity.

We have the new look in the Camp Office now. Our Chief Clerk is melting away to a shadow. Keep it up, Sir, you're doing fine.

Rapid Robert is now the proud owner of a bowling glass. We now call him "flash" for short.

Chuck Addison is on Refresher Training this week and Sgt. Jack Wright is priming up for his turn next.

So long for now. See you next month.

SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sonthofen, Germany — Canadian servicemen placed third in the relay skiing championships held here by the British Army of the Rhine and came in fourth, fifth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth and nineteenth in the biathlon competition.

There were 38 teams in the relay races with German squads coming in first and second. Thirty-seven entrants competed in the biathlon.

In the relay each member of the four-man team raced 10 kilometres (about 5 miles) cross country while in the biathlon each man followed a 20 kilometre course firing five rounds at each of four targets.

The Canadian team will compete in the world biathlon championships at Garmisch-Partenkirchen later this week, and in Norway and Sweden later in the month.

GALLIPOLI, ITALY (AP) —

Giuseppe d'Ajello got a bonus when he bought a codfish for his supper at a street market in this southern Italian town. The fish's stomach yielded an ancient Roman coin which is being studied by experts to determine its age and value.

for the Ladies



By Betty Hunter

What is it about St. Patrick's Day that infects us all? Whether we are Irish or not makes no difference. We all want to celebrate the 17th of March, even if it is only by wearing a touch of green. Maybe it is the leprechauns, the mythical "little people" of Irish folk lore, that fascinate us. Wouldn't we all like to wake some mornings to find that all the tiresome routine chores for the day had been mysteriously done for us during the night by these delightful little creatures? Those with even a merest trace of Irish blood in their veins boast of it proudly. The rest of us say nothing — possibly hoping it will be assumed that we too have our origins in the "ould sod". And, of course, the accent is so charming that no wonder people delight in assuming an Irish brogue, just for the day.

John of "The Lilacs", the well-known poet from the Maritimes also feels quite strongly about the Emerald Isle:

A Little Bit of Erin

Just a shamrock sweet and tender,
From that dear auld Erin's Isle;
Just the lilt of Irish laughter —
And the charming colleen's smile.

Just the sheen of greenest grasses,
Shining with the morning's dew,
Just the sparkling mirthful twinkle
In those Irish eyes so true.

Just the sight of dear Killarney —
With her countless lakes and dells,
Just the songs of love and gladness
And the tales me mother tells.

Just a glimpse across the ocean,
Of that dearest land so green —
Ireland! the home of shamrocks
In our dreams we oft have seen.

Just that Island — dear auld Erin;
Just to kiss the blarney stone;
Proud I am for now Begorra —
Shure! I know it's all me own.

NOTICE

General Meeting of PPCLI Wives' Club will be held on Monday, March 7th, at 8:30 p. m. in the PT Lounge, Hamilton Gault Barracks. All PPCLI wives are invited to attend.

GRIESBACH KEEP FIT CLASS

We still meet every Monday evening from 7:30 till 9:00 in No. 1 School Auditorium under the able leadership of Esther Kortzman. New members are most welcome. For additional information, please phone Mrs. Dorothy Quaintance at 476-6603.

Our theme song, composed by one of our members, Joan Melanson, is sung to the tune of, "Side by side." Here it is:

Oh, we ain't got a bevy of beauties,
Some of us may not be cuties,
But we have lots of fun,
We bend, stretch and run,
Side by side.
Some of us buldge where we

shouldn't,
Tried to slim down but we couldn't,
So to get rid of it,
We joined Keep Fit,
And tried and tried.
Some want to slim down waists,
Others work on thighs,
Some come for hips or for legs,
Or just for exercise.
We've made new friends strutting our stuff,
Esther keeps us going till we puff,
But we've enjoyed it, not changed a bit,
Side by side.

Sincerely,

Mrs. B. Quaintance

Camp Rafah, Egypt

"A" Squadron, 8th Canadian Hussars, has handed over the first of its outposts and associated checkpoints to the Brazilian contingent of the United Nations Emergency Force and will soon hand over a second area to the Yugoslav battalion.

The pullout of the Canadian armoured squadron is based on the reorganization of the force as approved by the UN Secretary-General. Remaining in Egypt as Canada's contribution will be about 800 all ranks made up of Army services and administrative personnel and 115 Air Transport Unit, RCAF.

The first change of responsibilities took place at Fort Robinson, six miles from Camp Rafah. Colonel G. G. Bell, of Toronto, commander of the Canadian contingent, inspected the fort with Lt.-Col. S. C. Misco, commanding officer of the Brazilian battalion.

The Canadian soldiers and their Brazilian replacements formed a guard of honor for the official party who signed the handover documents. The Canadian flag and the 8th Canadian Hussars' pennant were lowered by Sgt. John Ferguson, Halifax, and Sgt. Lynn Brown, Springhill, N.S., and the Brazilian flag was raised. Permission was granted to officially close down Fort Robinson's control centre.

Lt. J. E. de la Plante, Toronto, Canadian troop leader for the 18 Canadian soldiers who manned the fort, then handed over his post and duties to Bra-

zilian Lieut. Paulo Uchoa and marched off his troop. The squadron will also handover Fort Saunders, an observation post about 25 miles from Camp Rafah, to the Yugoslav battalion.

The Hussars reconnaissance squadron is comprised of 120 officers and men who have served with the Canadian contingent since February, 1965, and who will not be replaced. The reduction of the Canadian and Indian contingents is in accordance with recommendations of the UN survey team who studied the reorganization and financial problems of the UNEF in November, 1965. The Canadian contingent will continue to remain the second largest element of the force with 692 officers and men in logistics and another 89 providing air support.

During their yearly tour of duty with UNEF, the various Canadian reconnaissance squadrons were responsible for patrolling a tense area on the frontier of Israel and Egypt. They acted as a buffer between the armed forces of Israel and the United Arab Republic along the armistice demarcation line and the international frontiers; prevented illegal crossings by civilians of either side, in order to avert incidents, and observed and reported all violations of the lines.

Since the first squadron arrived in April, 1957, eight others have served as part of the UNEF force. Six soldiers lost their lives in explosions of abandoned land mines, ambushes or accidents in the service of peace.

PPCLI DEPOT NEWS

The ground hog and the PMQ occupants came out of their holes the other day, saw no sun, felt the cold and went back into their holes for another six weeks. Alberta ground hogs are vastly different to those found elsewhere in Canada. They know winter lasts until the end of May.

Annual refresher training for the headquarters personnel is progressing well and you will all be happy to hear that the clerical soldiers are holding their own. The chief instructor, Major Wally Mills wishes to advise the wives and sweethearts that the tears in the eyes of their husbands and boy friends are there not because they have had a pay decrease but is due to the gas chamber tests on Fridays.

Cpl. Bob Shaw is busy training the depot first aid team for the provincial competition in mid-February. I sincerely hope I have

some very favourable news to report in the next issue on this subject.

YPRES Platoon started training on January 31st with such stalwarts as Lt. Gordon Reay, Sgt. Jack White, Cpls. Ivan Haddad and L/Cpls. Dave Adams, Dave Smith and Al Thomas leading them, this platoon should complete their training in short order.

SAN FORTUNATO Platoon graduated on January 12. The inspecting officer was Lt.-Col. Dan Osborne QOR of C GSO 1 Western Command.

The cross Canada run conducted at the PT Building under the scrutiny of Lieut. Bill (Muscles) Griesbach is attracting wide attention. The aim of the exercise is to run a mile or so each day which is credited to you on the master board. When you have covered 2,538 miles, you have

run coast to coast across Canada. We would like to remind the participants that DND will NOT post them to the city or town they have reached when the deadline date of the competition arrives. Anyone wishing to be posted out of Edmonton will have to think of a better and legal way.

RECRUITING NEWS Mobile Operations

Recruiters are among the most mobile members of the Canadian Forces; those from CFRC Edmonton have driven a total of 19,771 miles since September 1st, 1965, and in addition have travelled by air to Whitehorse and Yellowknife. Thirty-five cities and towns in Alberta, British Columbia and the Yukon and Northwest Territories are visited on a regular schedule and approximately 250 high schools are visited on a separate schedule as part of a nation-wide school liaison programme. All of this means that a recruiter spends about 50% of his time away from home, which is a good deal more time than the majority of his contemporaries.

Returning to the Fold

To bear out the facts contained in last month's issue of the Bugle in "Khaki or Civvies", there has been a significant increase in the number of ex-servicemen seeking re-enrolment. Most of these left the service for "highly paid" jobs that never materialized or that in reality failed to meet their previous service income level.

HERCS INCREASED

The Canadian Forces' air transport capability was increased on January 24, when ATC's "Elephant" squadron, based at RCAF Station Uplands, took delivery of its seventh C130E Hercules aircraft at the Lockheed Factory in Marietta, Georgia.

This was the fifteenth "E" model delivered to the RCAF out of a total order of 20. The sixteenth will go to 435 "Chinthe" squadron in Namao, Alberta, in February and will also be its seventh aircraft. The other two Hercs are based in Trenton for conversion of crews to the new aircraft by No. 4 Operational Training Unit.

Further deliveries will take place early in 1967, when each squadron will get two more aircraft.

One of the most versatile aircraft of its type in the world today, the Hercules can be used economically on short hops or trans-continental routes. It can operate from short strips, with bulky loads and a minimum of ground support equipment for the handling of its cargo.

St. John's Chapel CHURCH NEWS

Sunday, 6 March

0900 hrs. — Holy Communion ACC.

0945 hrs — Bible Class.

1045 hrs — Sunday School, No. 1 School.

1100 hrs — Divine Service — Guest Preacher, Rev. J. M. Zimmerman, DD.

Sunday, 13 March

0900 hrs. — Holy Communion ACC.

0945 hrs — Bible Class.

1045 hrs — Sunday School, No. 1 School.

1100 hrs — Divine Service.

Sunday, 20 March

0900 hrs. — Holy Communion ACC.

0945 hrs — Bible Class.

1045 hrs — Sunday School, No. 1 School.

1100 hrs — Divine Service — Guest Preacher, The Very Rev'd R. F. Shepherd, Dean of All Saints.

Sunday, 27 March

0900 hrs. — Holy Communion ACC.

0945 hrs — Bible Class.

1045 hrs — Sunday School, No. 1 School.

1100 hrs — Divine Service.

ACC Holy Communion will be held each Wednesday morning at 0715 hours, followed by breakfast served in the Conference Room.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The annual meeting of the St. John's Chapel WA was held on January 25th in the Conference Room. The new slate of officers elected for the year 1966 are as follows:

President — A. Henderson
Vice-President — M. Reeves
Secretary — M. Johnston
Treasurer — V. Peterson
Chancel — J. MacMurdo
Social — G. Jarvis
Programme — J. MacPhail
Telephone — E. Gallagher
Welfare — J. Haley
Devotions — G. Bracken

The first meeting of the new year was opened with a "Penny Auction." Padre Clarke was our auctioneer. The nickels and dimes flowed in to the tune of \$19.40. A good time was had by all.

A clothing drive is now under way for the Indians in Teslin. Some of which will be used for an auction sale. Any one wishing to donate articles are asked to call Mrs. Johnston at 474-4344 or donations may be left at the Chapel.

The annual Bean Supper will be held on March 19 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. This will consist of home-baked beans, home-made bread, salad and dessert. Tickets may be purchased from any WA

member for 35c per person at a later date.

St. John's WA is open to all Protestant ladies. New ladies are always welcome to join us in the Conference Room of the Chapel the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. Anyone wishing a ride, please call A. Henderson at 477-4075.

Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

C.W.A. NEWS

Submitted by Mrs. Denise Blake

On February 1st, 16 members were present for our monthly meeting held at the Chaplain's residence. At this meeting it was decided that since our Bingo, which was slated for February 18th, conflicted with too many other social activities being held in Griesbach on that night, it would be postponed until March 4th at 8:00 p.m. I remind our readers that this undertaking by the C.W.A. is our one and only major fund raising activity of the year. So please come out and support the C.W.A. in this undertaking.

In co-operation with the ladies of the St. John's Auxiliary, members of the C.W.A. have again volunteered to canvass the PMQ's in support of the Cancer Society. The drive will take place on Friday, April 1st. Please be generous in helping this worthwhile cause.

The ladies of St. John's Auxiliary have proven that you don't have to be Chinese to prepare delicious Chinese food. On January 11th, at the P.T. Lounge, they entertained the C.W.A. to an enjoyable social evening followed by a lovely Chinese dinner. A pleasant time was had by all. Again we say — many thanks.

Another food and clothing drive is being held in the parish in aid of the Marian Centre. Articles of food and clothing should be brought to the chapel or taken directly to the Centre. The Marian Centre Tea was held on Sunday, February 27th. This annual event is in support of their building fund.

Have you ever made a closed retreat? Would you like to make one? You can, because we have vacancies for our female parishioners on April 19-21 at the Star of the North Retreat House in St. Albert. Interested? Call Denise Blake at 476-6910.

The next C.W.A. meeting is on Tuesday, March 1st, at 8:00 p.m. You are missing a lot of exciting and rewarding activities by not attending.

WHAT'S WHAT???

at 13 WORKS COY RCE

by Rosemary Parsons

"Howdy, Folks," here's your friendly reporter sweeping out the dust and cobwebs again. Now — let me see who's new around this neck of the woods.

"OH" Hello there, — this lady's name is Pearl Crawford, she transferred here from Central Registry; and here's Mr. Taylor now — buzz buz-z-z pardon — he tells me that he is wearing the boots Mr. Theissen left in the Fire Hall; next in line is Mr. Colistro who came all the way from Wainwright to replace Mr. Cooper at POW Armoury; last but not least is WO2 Ciavaglia, our new Internal Auditor, who hails from Ottawa. Hearty WELCOME to you all and here's hoping you will enjoy your stay here as much as we do. "Right Gang" — "Right."

Congratulations are extended to Norma and Bill on their recent marriage, may they always find happiness, and to Stan and Olga on the birth of their daughter Christine.

"WHAT'S THAT — Sh-h-h-h, listen." Do you hear bells??? Yes, I know they're ringing in the office but these are further away like in the Fire Hall. No, there isn't a fire. Mr. Preston, what are those bells?? Everyone beware of that little man with his bow and arrow — "CUPID." "MAX!!!" What happened to your finger? There — There don't cry. You say you had a visitor by the name of Dr. C. F. SHARPKNIFE.

Once more we can safely say our Unit is operated by First Class Efficient Soldiers as they have just completed their Annual Refresher Training. Any questions?

Hold it. HOLD IT. HO-LD IT!!! Okay now one at a time. Ah yes, you want to know the proper method to stop a nose bleed. The method given is for only qualified personnel to try — ready — Tilt the head back, pinch the nose, if it doesn't stop after five minutes, cut an artery in the right ankle.

I shall leave you with this very worthy advice in First Aid so as not to burden your mind with too much knowledge all at once.

Dr. C. J. Edwardh DENTIST

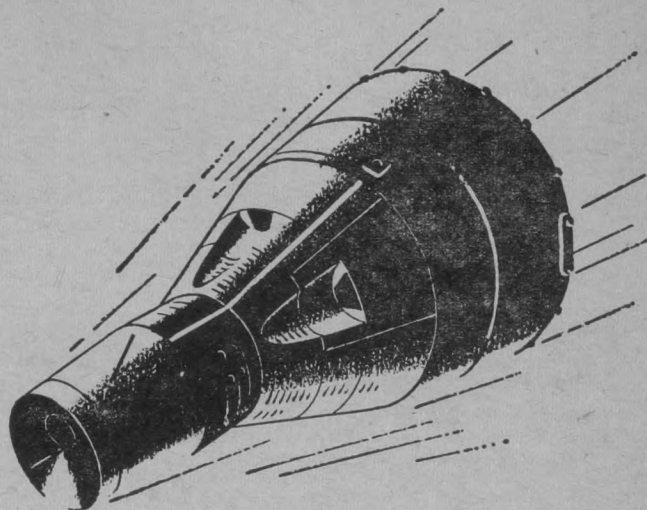
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17 ROD NEWS BRIEFS

By: WO2 J. A. ERSKINE

RSG received the go ahead for construction of suitable office accommodation some time ago and by now should be comfortably settled in their new set up. Should be no further use for hand warmers and protective clothing in the office for WO2 Wally Johnston and his crew of record keepers!

Why does Juan Valdez have to take his little boy Jose, and the little donkey, high into the mountains of Columbia to grow his coffee? Why? Because the Jolly Green Giant plants peas in the valley.

WELCOME MAT

S/Sgt. D. W. Sutherland, affectionately called "Suds" by his friends, reported in for duty on February 7th. He was with 17 ROD when the depot was situated in Vancouver some years ago. While on a subsequent posting in London he left for a tour in the Middle East and is no doubt happy to be back to renew old acquaintances. We now have a "Suds" and a "KEG" (Staff Robinson) in the fold — who could ask for anything more? Sgt. Bob Bunning has also returned from the Gaza Strip and should soon be back assisting in the depot's operation.

Cpl. Don Miller is performing duties with the National Biathlon Team at Camp Kananaskis. I understand Don is contemplating a return to Ontario later this year. Can't figure why people want to go East — coloured TV will be here next year.

Andy the Gopher

On February 4, Cpl. Sid Payne,

Corps of Commissionaires, detected a familiar little animal preening himself in front of our east wing. On closer examination he discovered that the invader was a gopher. Needless to say, the early appearance of the little rodent caused a little excitement for a few days until we became accustomed to his presence. I've nicknamed the guy "Andy" (providing it is a guy) because I don't know anyone by that name and therefore can rest assured that I am not offending any close friends!

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Did you hear about the actress who was so absorbed with divorce proceedings on her new marriage that she didn't have time to unwrap her wedding presents?

Major M. G. McCannell was appointed acting CO and AOO during February 14-28 during the absence of Lt.-Col. S. E. Hunter who took some well deserved leave.

One of the girls told me the other day that we were overdue for a re-decorating job and suggested that when we do so that we paint the interior with some other colour than the prevailing green! Sure, why not pink for the girls and blue for the boys — but what about the offices, polka dots?

COURSES

Sgt. Ken Halverson, Pres. P. C. Cassidy, H. M. Howoko, E. G. Parmiter and J. Genereaux have all returned from Stmn Clk and Clk Acctg Courses. No doubt we

will now discover what we are doing wrong.

Capt. G. P. Gedge left on a MTM (Method Time Measurement) course at the School on February 21st and will return on March 11th. Sgt. A. Gallagher, Cpl. R. Drennan and Cpl. F. Marshall departed on February 21st for a Clk Acctg Course.

Pte. D. V. Sigouin is slated for QM section of the Admin Staff in the forthcoming Junior NCO School.

Lts. D. R. Bishop, A. L. Millar and G. L. Hourihan took part in the Lt. to Capt. Qualifying Study Concentration this past month.

NEW HEADLINES

In the sports page in the past we used to see "Sawchuk Shuts Out Canadiens!" Now we are confronted with "Leafs Shut Out Hull!" I guess it's more important now-a-days to stop one man rather than a whole team!

Did you hear about the lawyer who settled himself on the dentist's chair and said: "Do you swear to pull the tooth, the whole tooth and nothing but the tooth, so help you —?"

The Regina Kid came up with a good idea the other day — steel-capped toes for all storemen. Free issue, of course!

Saw in the paper the other day that civil servants in New Delhi, India, were granted permission to burn unimportant papers — on condition that they make copies in duplicates. Crazy! (Thank goodness our leaders have more sense).

SPRING FLING

Earmark April 23rd on your calendar as we are planning to have a gala dance on that night.

Scientists claim they can put a man in deep-freeze for 500

years. Imagine the complications such as widows, (who couldn't wait that long for insurance settlements) armed with ice picks, storming the deep-freeze establishments trying to finish the job.

See the Sports Page for bowling and curling coverage.

PEDIGREE COUNTS

At Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, a Lieutenant in a Signal Coy, owned a beautiful German Shepherd. Everywhere the Lieutenant went the dog went also. It even helped to inspect the troops on Saturday, though the men resented being inspected by a dog.

One Sunday afternoon, a group of GI's were sitting on the barracks porch while another GI with a shrill voice was taking a shower. He leaned out of the shower and bellowed: "Here comes the Lieutenant with his *!!!!* mutt!"

The Lieutenant nailed the innocent man on the porch and proceeded to inform him of the dog's high pedigree and how he resented having such a fine animal called a mutt. He stalked away and, as he rounded the corner the shrill cry of the GI bellowed again: "There goes the dog and that *!!!!* Lieutenant."

Some safety experts are throwing up their hands and saying they do not know what to do about the highway accident problem. Has anyone thought about dis-inventing the wheel?

COTHORNE, England (CP) — French comes the easy way to 10-year-olds at the junior school in this Sussex community. Four times a week they play bingo in French — but without prizes.

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Brigadier H. A. Phillips, right, of Ottawa, in his capacity as colonel of the regiment, paid a visit to the Royal Canadian Dragoons Reconnaissance Squadron, on United Nations duty in Cyprus. Lieut. M. D. Kennedy, left, of Ottawa, briefs Brig. Phillips while escorting a convoy of Greek Cypriot cars from Kyrenia to Nicosia in a Ferret scout car. — Canadian Forces Photo

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CHALK TALK

By Brian Davis



GRADE 9 DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS

The schedule for Grade 9 Departmental Examinations has been received. These provincial-wide examinations will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 24th, and conclude on Thursday, June 30. During the next three and a half months all students should make a consistent effort to prepare themselves for these most important exams which qualify them for high school entrance.

REPORT CARDS

Report Cards will be sent home on Tuesday, March 1st. These reports will indicate the progress made by students in both schools during the last three months.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

In Griesbach School No. 2 there are people of various jobs and ranks as indicated by their surnames. From the church we have Deans, Stewards and Elders. Occupations are indicated by Butlers, Smiths, Millers, Fishers, Taylors, Coopers, Copps and Clarks. From high society we have Nobles and Knights.

Administrators' Association

The Edmonton Suburban Administrators' Association were hosted on January 26th after school at School No. 2. There was a large attendance of principals and teachers. Dr. Dralle, Audio-Visual Media Centre, University of Alberta, spoke on the use of the opaque and overhead projectors.

ATTENDANCE

Best attendance, despite the cold weather in January, was Mrs. Burke's Grade 2 Class with 97.82%. There were 8 classes with no lates.

TEACHERS' CONVENTION

Both schools were closed during the Edmonton City Teachers' Convention held on February 24 and 25. So great was teacher interest in this convention that there was a major address given on the Wednesday evening in the Jubilee Auditorium.

THE SLEEPING BEAUTY

A very successful play of "The Sleeping Beauty", was presented on January 28 by Mrs. McLean's Grade 4 class at No. 2 School. It was intended only for a few grades, but it was so interesting that it was staged three times so that the whole school could enjoy it. Mrs. McLean's class was studying France, which is

the origin of the legend of the Sleeping Beauty. The players were: Princess, Barbara Berry; Wicked Fairy, Lynda Rashley; Good Fairies, Mary Moseley, Karen Dilio, Donna McPhait, and Judy Reeves; Prince Craig Langley; Queen, Linda Price; King, Allan Johnstone. All other members of the class had smaller parts.

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

GIRLS

What with basketball early practices and matches after school, and exams popping up rather consistently, everyone is extremely busy. In the House activities, Grades 7 and 8 girls have been most enthusiastic while the Grade 9 girls have not participated so readily. Everyone who turns out for the games gets points for their attendance. Our City basketball team has not had much luck. The two league games played resulted in Wellington trouncing Griesbach 38-22 at Wellington and 28-12 at Griesbach. However, the game's the thing and both players and spectators thoroughly enjoyed the matches. A grades 7 and 8 team is being organized to play against Guthrie School at Lancaster Park. All girls are urged to come to the House League games. The City team girls are expected to turn up on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:00 a.m. for practices.

Reporter, Dwenda Stephen.

Boys' Interschool Basketball.

The Griesbach Boys' Interschool Basketball Team has done exceedingly well to date. Out of a total of nineteen exhibition and League games, they have won twelve, lost six, and tied one. They have won their four league games, and at press time are in first place. The top scorers are Richard Ewing and Larry Scrutton.

Reporter, Barry McLaren.

SERVICE Personnel

Members of the service contemplating a new car, would be well advised to contact Club Agent,

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ALTA SIG SQN

Here we are again with postings in and postings out. It keeps us on our toes just to ensure we DON'T welcome someone back to our unit who was posted sometime ago. We can imagine someone paraded before his CO with bugle in hand to use as the confirmation for being posted back to our Sqn, and lest we forget, sunny Alberta. We do welcome Sgt. B. W. Linkletter back to the Squadron as this is his old stamping grounds and he knows his way around. Best of luck, Link. Our young and poplar CO, Major R. V. A. Roe, is now on course in the U.S.A.

A column noted in the Journal will at long last prove to our dear wives that all of those trips to and from Penhold were, and still are, justified. They never questioned us when we said, "I have to go to Penhold today". The questions going through their minds probably were somewhat of this nature. Where is Penhold? I've never seen it on a map. Do you suppose the food and accommodation are better? I've heard my father speak of Penhold many years ago when he was in the Air Force, but I always thought that was in Europe. Without further comment from yours truly here is the column. . . .

Stan Reid in CENTRAL ALBERTA SECURITY IN ORDER

A visit to the Penhold area last week was only in the nature of an unpaid security check.

The object was one of Alberta's "mystery mounds," where, according to what we've been told, arrangements have been made for bomb-proof shelter in case of air attack. The mound chosen for the check is the one designated for heads of government and documents. The visit coincided with the annual conference of the Alberta Emergency Measures Organization and, although everything was unofficial, the action seemed appropriate.

The shelter at Penhold is on the east side of No. A2 Highway, opposite RCAF Station Penhold. The only entrance was on the east side where about 35 cars and a few army vehicles were parked.

One entered first through a concrete-covered alleyway and then through two bank-type vault doors.

A civilian clerk asked me to state my business and sign the register. I signed in the wrong column which upset him a little bit but I wasn't going any farther anyway and he seemed to relax. A call was placed through the corridors for the security officer who turned out to be a young first lieutenant.

He was courteous and friendly and assured me that there had been no change in regulations which would allow me to inspect the premises. Any visit would have to be cleared through a major in Edmonton. I thanked him very much and came home.

Due to road conditions, there was no check made at Mound No. 2, a few miles south, where it is understood the heart of emergency communications for the province is located.

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2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

General News

Although the snow still persists on the ground, winter training ended on January 21st with a Battalion Exercise "Wolfbait", an exercise emphasizing night operations and physical endurance. The Battalion did well on this exercise because of two weeks of cold, and strenuous Company training prior to the exercise.

The Battalion is busy conducting unit courses in an effort to turn out top notch. Anti Tank gunners, mortarmen, machine gunners, signallers, and APC drivers. Another set of these courses will be held during the months of March and April.

Rotation planning for Germany is steadily progressing. The initial screening was completed on February 14th. On February 8, the Battalion participated in a recruiting drive for the Militia at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. All of the infantry weapons as well as Winter Equipment, Signals Equipment and Vehicles were on display. Perhaps many of you saw the same display at the Muk Luk Mardi Gras in Polar Park.

SPORTS

In the Vancouver to Halifax Run, 2 PPCLI is still in first place having completed 2,208 miles as of February 9th. In the individual race Sgt. Brignell has completed 293½ miles and S/Sgt. Vallance has 218 miles to his credit. The Battalion has 800 miles to complete before reaching Halifax.

Capt. Hunt, Cpl. Willis, L/Cpl. Domshy and Pte. Hughe are in Banff attempting to win ski honours for the Battalion during the Western Command Ski Championships.

The Battalion has entered several participants in the Muk Luk Mardi Gras Sports events and we wish them all the best of luck.

Inter-Coy Sports are going well and the playoffs are approaching. More news on these other results will follow in the next issue.

OFFICERS' MESS

January was a very quiet month for the Mess. No formal events were held. The Single Subalterns had the honour of escorting the Muk Luk Queen Contestants to the Snow Ball held at the Macdonald Hotel on February 4th. A very enjoyable time was had by all and following the "Ball" the Mess was honoured with a visit from the Queen Miss Judy Lynne.

All ranks extend congratulations and best wishes to Capt. M. C. Stewart on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Jennifer Laird on February 19th. The reception will be held in the Officers' Mess.

In the future events will be more lively. Coming events include a Valentine's Hoedown on February 11th, Regimental Mess Dinner February 18th, and a Formal Dinner Dance on the occasion of the birthday of our Colonel-in-Chief on March 17.

SERGEANTS' MESS

The Sgts. Mess settled into a normal routine after winter training in Wainwright.

Bingo has found its way back into the Mess, the first one taking place on February 5, under the capable direction of Sgt. J. G. White.

January 25th marked Robbie Burns day and although there was an absence of steaming Haggis and the shrill of bagpipes, all the Warrant Officers and Senior NCO's under the leadership of WO2 Sim, made a fair effort at becoming "SCOTCH".

Future events include the hosting of the Somerset and Cornwall Light Infantry before they embark for training in Norway.

The Mess is looking forward to subjecting the officers to a severe beating on March 17th at the annual BROOM-I-LOO game. This should be quite enjoyable — come out and watch.

CORPORALS' MESS NEWS

Hello, once again! With all this fine weather we've been having, it tends to make one think of swinging the old golf clubs again. Therefore we would like to take this opportunity to challenge any Mess in the Griesbach area to an 18-hole match. Of course the winner would expect to receive a few bottles of Manning's Mead at one of the local outlets to celebrate the win. (At the expense of the losers, of course).

We see that Cpl. Stratyschuk up in the Pay Office, really has our interests at heart. Stretch has been volunteering for Security Picquets, COS, etc. and this really takes the heat off the rest of us. Really a fine chap.

I guess spring is just around the corner. We understand the Gopher (BL) has moved upstairs again so this is a good inclination. We also notice the rumoured raise didn't come through in February. Perhaps this is because Mr. C. D. (Jack Woods) is on Course.

See you next month.

LOST AND FOUND PROPERTY

The following articles are held by Edmonton Provost Detachment, Griesbach Barracks. Upon identification, owners may claim at the Detachment located at 10 SDB.

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29 Jan. 1965	— Brown vinyl flight bag
16 Feb. 1965	— Eye Glasses in green case
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28 May 1965	— Gent' wrist Watch
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18 Jun. 1965	— Tricycle
5 Sep. 1965	— Sunshine Tricycle
16 Sep. 1965	— Black Leather Mitts
22 Sep. 1965	— Child's Tricycle (Green and White)
16 Oct. 1965	— CCM Bicycle HC-97886
21 Oct. 1965	— Boy's Bicycle (Red) OO-57482
26 Oct. 1965	— Lawn Mower
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Colonel T.S. Rahnqvist, Commander of the 3rd Engineer Regiment of the Swedish Army, visited Canadian Army installations at Edmonton and Camp Wainwright, Alberta. He is shown examining Canadian Army arctic clothing. Left to right, Lt.-Col. L. W. Basham, Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry; Lt.-Col. R. R. Buckley, Command Engineer, Headquarters Western Command and Col. T. S. Rahnqvist.

— Canadian Forces Photo

No Credit--Cash Only

Soldiers and airmen will start paying spot cash for purchases at quartermaster's stores this spring, as sailors have been doing for many years. A monthly \$7 kit allowance will be included in their pay account as it is for the navy.

The new clothing upkeep allowance replaces the credit system in use by the army and air force since 1953. The new accounting method will be simpler and more economical, two forms will be replacing 11.

In pre-integration days, soldiers and airmen received a monthly \$7 credit in a separate account with any credit balance given to them periodically.

A field accounting or kit exchange system will continue in some foreign postings such as Cyprus and Egypt. During these tours the clothing upkeep allowance will be suspended.

The integrated "cash and carry" system starts March 1 with credit balances paid during the month.

Cyprus Duty

The 2nd Battalion, The Black Watch, of Camp Gagetown, N. B., and "B" Squadron, 8 Canadian Hussars, of Camp Petawawa, Ont., will begin a six-month tour of duty in Cyprus early in April if the United Nations extends the mandate for its peace-keeping force beyond March 26.

Commanding officer of the Black Watch is Lt.-Col. D. A. McAlpine. The battalion returned to Canada last summer after a three-year tour of NATO duty in Germany.

The Hussars squadron commander is Major J. A. St. Aubin.

Returning after six months in Cyprus are the 2nd Battalion, The Canadian Guards, to Camp Petawawa, and the reconnaissance squadron of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, to Camp Gagetown.

Since the UN peace-keeping force in Cyprus began operations in March, 1964, more than 4,000 Canadian soldiers have served on the eastern Mediterranean island.

AMMAN (AP) — Jordan has appealed for rainmaker to combat a drought that threatens to ruin the desert country's crops. The government is asking the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization to send experts to make artificial rain. Prayers were also being offered in the country's mosques and churches.

Griesbach Junior Ranks Club

Army Versus Air Force

by Cpl. R. R. White

The members of the Griesbach Junior Ranks Club would like to express their thanks to the members of the Namao Cpls. Club, who quite frankly, left us with mouths agape at the masterful manner in which they organized and operated the Sports Challenge on Friday, February 4th. We would like to mention in particular Cpl. "Doug" Bates — PMC of the Cpls. Club, and Cpl. "Bud" Ritchie — Sports Rep. and the members of the Mess Committee whose efforts were instrumental in carrying out the tremendous task of making this night such a success.

By way of an explanation, the Mess Committee of the Griesbach Junior Ranks Club received a "Challenge" from Namao suggesting an inter-mess competition in Broomball, Bowling, Shuffleboard, Cribbage, Euchre and Darts, and upon a subsequent meeting between the two Committees it was decided it would be held at Namao on February 4th with reciprocation by the Griesbach Junior Ranks Club on March 4th.

I think that at this point a quick resume of the final outcome of the afore-mentioned sports would be in order. At 1500 hours, the Broomball Game commenced and to quote a much used cliché "the first blood was let," and fifty-eight sweating, hard fought minutes later on a goal by Cpl. John "Boom-Boom" Cummings, the Army emerged smiling to the accolades of the audience, the winners of the first Air Force vs Army event.

Meanwhile — back at the bowling alley — four valiant Army teams were finding out at which end of the alley the pins were on and suffered an ignominious defeat at the hands of the fantastically lucky Air Force stalwarts.

The evening events were preceded by a marvellous meal of Roast Beef at which the Air Force again proved that they must go to a different cooking school than the Army cooks.

The gauntlet was once more retrieved and at the risk of sounding like a famous British Field Marshal (Gor Bless 'Im) the battle was joined. Our highly over-rated and much touted Dart Teams managed to barely eke out a tie finish with the Air Force and I think that it is worth mentioning that the Euchre Card Team also just barely made a tie out of the evening's efforts. The Cribbage Teams were the highest point gainers of the various events with a resounding defeat

of the Air Force in all but one or two games.

By the time all of the preceding had become history, the Shuffleboard contestants were about to commence with the last game of the night. At this point the overall score between the two Messes were RCAF 44, Army 45. Keep in mind the fact that 2 points were riding on this game and a win for the Army was imperative.

Because they want their names in the paper, I feel obliged to mention Cpl. J. A. S. "Never-Miss" Jamieson and Cpl. Pat "Knockout" Morningstar, who were pitted against the pride of the RCAF. This was such a tension filled moment that (believe it or not) words fail this writer. Suffice to mention the Army regained, by virtue of being the Senior Service, the place in which it deserves to be — the winners, with the score at the end of the night a squeaking 47 to 44.

Presentation of the "Losers" Trophy which represented the nether regions of a horse, was made to the Namao Cpls. Club by Station Warrant Officer WO1 D. Gibson. Cpl. Doug Bates accepted this fine Trophy on behalf of the Club. The trophy now hangs in a place of honour over the bar in the Namao Cpls. Club, forever to remind them of the day the Army "landed."

A small postscript to mention our gallant, albeit slightly heavy PMC Cpl. Gerry "Hey, Wait for Me" McFadden who not only arrived late but forgot to bring his shin protectors — nuff said.

All members of the Griesbach Junior Ranks Club are reminded of the return match of this event at our Club on the 4th of March, so let's all turn out to support the Air Force on their visit and to extend to them the hospitality which was shown us.

The following is a breakdown of the scoring:

	Army	Air Force
Broomball	10	0
Bowling	0	16
Darts	9	9
Euchre	9	9
Cribbage	11	4
Shuffleboard	8	6
	47	44

Waiter (to customer): Haven't I seen you somewhere before?

Actor: You may have seen me in the movies.

Waiter: Maybe — where do you usually sit?

Composition of the Fleet

The Royal Canadian Navy's 43 warships consist of an aircraft carrier, helicopter-destroyers, destroyer escorts, ocean escorts, two submarines and support ships. Additionally, one or two Royal Navy submarines serve in the Atlantic under the operational control of Maritime Command. Four small ships are on loan to other government departments. There are more than 100 auxiliaries, from research vessels down to small passenger ferries.

The 20,000-ton aircraft carrier Bonaventure heads the RCN's anti-submarine warfare (ASW) team. She has an angled deck, mirror landing system and steam catapult and carries twin-engined CS2F-2 Tracker aircraft and CH-SS-2 Sea King helicopters. The Bonaventure in April begins a major half-life refit and modernization.

There are 23 helicopter-destroyers (DDHs) and destroyer escorts (DDEs) in the fleet, 20 of them completed in the past 10 years. Two of the DDHs had a hangar and flight deck included in their initial construction; six others are DDEs converted to accommodate the heavy Sea King helicopter. One more DD ship, the Fraser, will complete conversion this summer. All of the helicopter-destroyers also have the Canadian variable depth sonar.

HMCS Ojibwa, first of three Oberon class submarines for the RCN, was commissioned at Chatham, England, September 23rd, 1965. The other two will follow in 1967 and 1968.

An experimental fast hydrofoil escort (FHE-400) to be named Bras d'Or, will be completed this year. She will undergo extensive evaluation to determine, first, her ability to operate on the open sea, then her capability as an anti-submarine ship.

The RCN has two first-line anti-submarine air squadrons, one armed with Trackers, the other with Sea Kings. Four other squadrons are for training, evaluation and utility services.

In January, 1966, headquarters of the integrated Maritime Command was established at Halifax with a Pacific sub-command at Esquimalt, B.C. All RCN and RCAF sea and maritime air forces have placed under the control of the commander Maritime Command. The former flag officer (RCN) and air officer commanding (RCAF) appointments lapsed with activation of the new functional command.

Strength of the regular navy as of January 1st, 1966, was 18,902 officers, men, cadets and

wrens. That of the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve was 2,487 officers, men wrens, and cadets of the University Naval Training

Divisions.

Approximately two-thirds of the maritime force is on the east coast.



HEMER, Germany — If a father and his eight sons can proudly point to lengthy service in the Army and Air Force, that family can surely claim a worthy distinction. So it is with the Buxtons of Victoria, two of whom are serving with the 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade Group in Germany.

Senior soldier is Regimental Sergeant-Major Richard G. Buxton of the 1st Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. He's been in the army since 1944 and is now in Germany with his brother Sgt. Frank Buxton, also a member of the Patricias. A third brother still in the Army is Sgt. David, with the 2nd Battalion, PPCLI, at Edmonton.

The family's military record started with the father, Staff-Sergeant P. H. B. Buxton, who served with the Royal Canadian Artillery during the First World War and retired in 1936 after 25 years' service.

His other sons who served in the armed forces are Bdr. Sonny Buxton, with the artillery from 1926 to 1935; Cpl. Fred, PPCLI, from 1937 to 1945; Cpl. Jim, RCAF, from 1939 to 1945; Warrant Officer Class 2 Ken, RCA, from 1934 to 1961; and Staff Sgt. Billy, PPCLI and RCE, from 1939 to 1965.

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Selland Rink Wins 17 Rod Bonspiel

Not to be surpassed by Edmonton's famous Muk Luk Mardi Gras, 17 ROD held its own winter carnival during the week of February 14-18. A report on the Bowling activities appears elsewhere in this edition.

After the usual hectic prelims, Larry Selland and Lloyd Brown hooked up in the final of "A" Event for possession of the coveted **Hunt Transport Ltd. Trophy**. Larry started to pull away early and was leading 5-1 in the 5th. However, Brown closed the gap 7-5 in the 9th end. In the 10th Selland added another single to finish with an 8-5 victory.

Lorne Stephens and his stalwarts whopped Lt. A. S. Turner and his crew 11-1 to win the "B" Event. Ray Koska also managed a one-sided win over Don Little to cop the "C" Event.

The Bonspiel, while the usual concentration was devoted to the games, was not without its lighter moments. Ray Koska and his gang showed up in Highland garb, complete with kilts and what-nots, to lend a little colour to the affair. "Wee Jean" Campo, however found the kilts a wee bit too cold and switched to conventional attire for the play-offs. Major M. G. McCannel must have considered laying off the bottle for good when he saw his 3rd, Steve Yakoweshen, standing at the far end of the ice holding two brooms. (Of course, it was a twin broom with one handle).

Thanks go to Gus **Thuiller** and Sgt. George **Gardiner** who organized the draw and handled it in such a satisfactory manner.

THE WINNERS

"A" Event (and winners of the Trophy) — Larry Selland, skip, S/Sgt. Bert Mayan, George Roelsli and Terry Dashcovich.

"B" Event — Lorne Stephens, skip, Sgt. Paul Pariseau, Jean Atherton and Alex Harapniuk.

"C" Event — Ray Koska, skip, Fred Storey, Cpl. G. E. McFadzen and Joan Campo.

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Quips and Tips

By Sgt. Hal Nordin
(In Winnipeg)

Well, here we go again. I do hope there are still a few army people left in Edmonton to read my news. In fact, I'm hoping as I write this article that the Bugle still exists. I know there are many more like myself, who look forward to the Edmonton Army news put out in this fine medium each month.

I promised in my last article that I would let you know about Sgt. Tommy Hidson who has arrived from the Klondike city. I had a long chat with him and he advised me that he had an enjoyable trip from Edmonton.

He did his term in the local motels and recently rented a house. He also did a sojourn in the Winnipeg Mil Hospital — seems he was harbouring a Vietnamese bug in his blood stream. They must have captured it, I see he's back to work. He sends his regards to his numerous friends.

Major W. O. Botting, your former Area Pers Officer, has proven that he too can beat the racket; he told me recently that he has given up tennis and has taken up squash. I can't think

for the life of me why, they even have problems growing the lowly potato in this province. This statement should put me on the losing end of my next PO interview. He extends best wishes to all his former associates and friends in Edmonton.

WO2 Fred Geres, former Alta-area man is in hospital at time of writing and has been for almost three weeks. He really doesn't look too bad so maybe he's just trying to beat this frigid clime — not a bad idea. Sure enough... it's a mild 5 below and Fred just got himself sprung as I write this item.

member Sgt. Howie Major. He, member Stg. Howie Major. He, like myself, was a Recruiter on the Alberta scene a few years back. Our paths hadn't crossed during our stay in that province, but just a few nights ago we were introduced. Howie's looking fit, and judging by the cut of his civilian cloth, I would say he's doing very well. Get this... his title is "Systems & Procedure Annalist" for Eatons in this city. Top that if you will.

News from this neck of the woods is a bit scarce this month so I'll sign off with a story I heard recently. With the armed forces integration in full swing, I hope the following story will further the cause of religious integration as well:

A Minister, a Pries and a Rabbi pulled out from shore to do a little fishing. When they were about 100 yards from shore, the Priest announced that he had left his tackle on shore. Without another word, he stepped out of the boat and walked across the top of the water to the shore, picked up his tackle and returned the same way. The Minister then discovered that he had forgotten his new reel so he stepped out of the boat and walked across the top of the water and returned the same way with his new reel. Five minutes later the Rabbi realized that he had not brought his rod, so over the side of the boat he went... and sunk straight to the bottom. Seeing what happened, the Priest said to the Minister "I guess we should have told him where the rocks were."

Best wishes to all — Hal.

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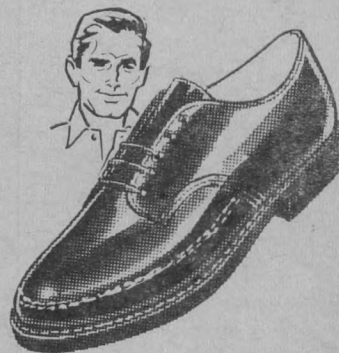
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Sport Page

GIMP'S GRAB-BAG
By Capt. G. W. Small



Curling and hockey dominate the local sports scene this month, with all leagues in full swing. The weatherman has at last been co-operating and, with luck, the season should wind up about mid-March.

In the physical training programme, a great number of men are trying but only a few have so far successfully completed their Minimum Physical Fitness Test. To press-time, the following have passed: S/Sgt. Risser, 10 SDB; Cfn. Ireland and Cfn. McInnes, 224 Wksp. One perspiring type was heard to remark that the test is not as easy as it looks! How true! How true!

In the cross-country run, 2 PPCLI are still in the lead and are approximately 40 miles West of the Manitoba-Ontario boundary, 1,534 miles from the start in Vancouver. HQ Alberta Area are coming up fast, with 1,233 miles, and are near the Saskatchewan-Manitoba boundary.

PPCLI Depot found the mountains tough and have now reached Banff. With the flat country ahead, the going should be much easier!

HQ Western Command are at Kamloops, B.C. Sgt. Brignal, PPCLI Depot, has taken over as the individual leader with 272 miles. In second place is WO 1 Donahue, 10 SDB, over the two hundred mark with 215 miles. Lt. Griesbach can smell gold now at 190 miles. Major Mitchell still leads Western Command with 86 miles.

General Curling News

A great deal of activity is taking place in the curling world these days. Spare ice time is hard to find with the men's and mixed club consols and the area play-downs taking place to see who will represent Griesbach in the Area and Command Championships. In the Consol field the men's division was won by Joe Thompson and the mixed by Harry Zeitner. This made them our reps in the Zone 5 play-downs. Unfortunately neither rink won a berth in the Northern Alberta playoffs but we congratulate them on a good try and wish them better luck next year.

Coming events of interest and open to entries are the Namao Spiel on 11, 12 and 13 March and, of course, the Western Command Spiel starting March 31st. Club playdowns for championships will also be taking place into the first week of April.

During the week of February 28 to March 4 the Area Championships will be under way at the Griesbach club. Three rinks each from Calgary and Griesbach garrisons and two rinks from Wainwright will be fighting it out. We expect there will be

some good curling to watch during this period.

Junior Curling

The teens' final bonspiel will start shortly. All teams are entered, so watch the Notice Board for your draws and please try to show up on time.

Griesbach Ladies' Curling Club

The ladies' curling club will hold their Emerald Bonspiel on March 18, 19 and 20. The club has been invited to compete in the Lancaster Park Bonspiel to be held in the latter part of February and it is expected that two or three rinks from Griesbach will enter. As of February 8th the ladies' club is being led by the Lois Davidson rink, closely followed by the Bessie King rink.

Officers' Mixed Curling League

The League is nearing the end of the season with the Bonspiel commencing on February 27. It is hoped to have the finals on March 26. The wind-up party will be held in the HQ Western Command Officers' Mess on the 30th of March.

Griesbach Little League Hockey

With the frigid weather now behind us (we hope) and all systems "go", the Little League is on its final round-robin. Bantams were behind on games played early in February due to reduction in time allotted at the Edmonton Gardens.

Tentative plans are to forget about semi-finals and finals as it is believed that this method is contrary to the aim of the League, which is to give every boy equal ice time to learn the game and good sportsmanship. More on this subject later.

Comment by the Gimp

With regard to hockey, it is to be hoped that the NHL bosses can be convinced that Canadian cities such as Vancouver can enter the League. After all, Canadians are the most ardent supporters of the game, provide all the NHL players with only a couple of exceptions and are the owners of the Stanley Cup, which the donor intended for Canadian teams. Perhaps the answer to

a Canadian National Hockey League, like the CFL, with East and West divisions. At least nine major Canadian cities could support major league teams (Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary and Vancouver) and we could control our own hockey.

The Canadian tax-payer, who supports amateur hockey in Canada through federal government grants for physical fitness, surely cannot be too pleased to have the pundits of another nation decide that a Canadian city cannot enter a team in the NHL. It is Canadian amateur hockey which is the spawning-ground of the NHL. We have a right, if not a duty, to see to it that Canada has the major voice in running the NHL.

That's it for now. Remember, "get fit, keep fit and stay fit".

17 ROD BOWL-A-RAMA

Over 100 ardent (?) bowlers took part in the ROD's annual handicap Bowl-a-rama held at the Rosslyn Bowl on February 14th.

The winners composed of Major E. A. McDougall, Staff Chuck Query, Sgt. George Gardiner, Anne Nykolyszyn and Jean Preece tossed the pins for a total pinfall of 3109.

Eric Harbinson led his team of Lt. L. G. Hourihan, J. McHarg, Diana Scrutton and Anne Karpluk to second place with a total of 3094.

Individual honours went to the following: **Ladies:** High Singles, Marie Chwok (276) and Diana Scrutton (244). High Triples, Marion Smith (737) and Diana Scrutton (633).

Men: High Singles, Maj. E. A. McDougall (292) and Sgt. Bill Henderson (289). High Triples, Cpl. D. Melanson (734) and Maj. McDougall (696).

Special wishes for continued success went to Jack Coghlan and Ellen Ross who bowled individual games of (59) and (39) respectively.

A special vote of thanks is extended to Cpl. Pete Manko and his cohorts who engineered the competition.

In the regular **17 ROD BOWLING LEAGUE** standings as of February 15th were:

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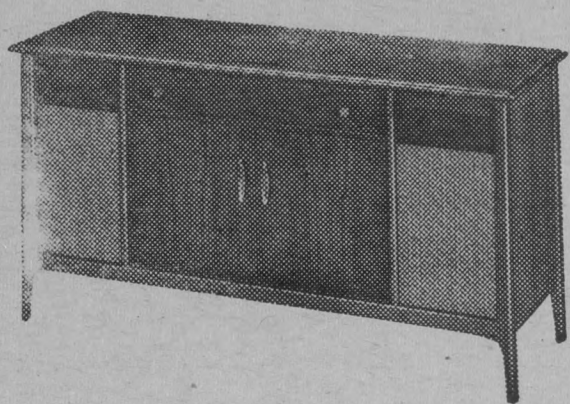
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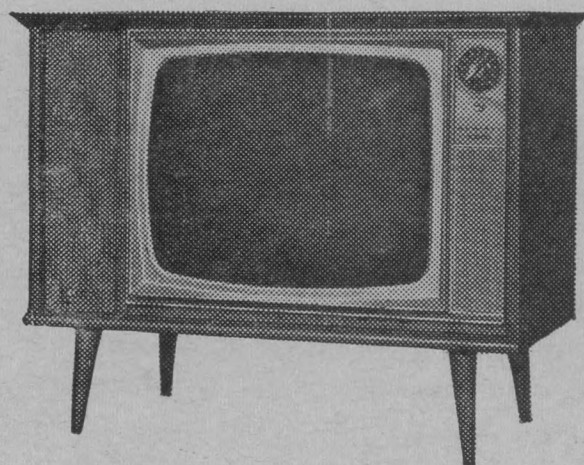
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